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Slaking Fund Account £23,230

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Revenue Fire Branch £2,831,456

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Revenue Marine Department 337,239

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THE WAR.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S REPLY TO GERMANY.

A NOTE IN VERY PLAIN LANGUAGE.

THE PRESIDENT'S SUGGESTION TO THE ALLIES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.

The Secretary of State makes public the following Note from the
Secretary of State to the Charge d'Affaires of Switzerland ad interim in
charge of German interests in the United States:—

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

October 23, 1918.

Sir:—
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note of
October 22nd transmitting a communication under date of October
20th from the German Government and to advise you that the
President has instructed me to reply thereto as follows:—

Having received the solemn and explicit assurance of the
German Government that it unreservedly accepts the terms of
peace laid down in his Address to the Congress of the United
States on January 8th, 1918, and the principles of settlement
enunciated in his subsequent Addresses, particularly the Address
of September 27th, and that it desires to discuss the details
of their application, and that this wish and purpose emanate
not from those who have hitherto dictated German policy and
conducted the present war on Germany's behalf, but from
Ministers who speak for the majority of the Reichstag and for
an overwhelming majority of the German people; and having
received also the explicit promise of the present German
Government that the humane rules of civilized warfare will be
observed both on land and sea by the German armed forces, the
President of the United States feels that he cannot decline to
take up with the Governments with which the Government of
the United States is associated the question of an Armistice.
He deems it his duty to say again, however, that the only
Armistice he would feel justified in submitting for consideration
would be one which should leave the United States and the
Powers associated with her in a position to enforce any arrange-
ments that may be entered into and to make a renewal of
hostilities on the part of Germany impossible.

The President has, therefore, transmitted his correspon-
dence with the present German Authorities to the Governments
with which the Government of the United States is associated
as a belligerent with the suggestion that, if these Governments
are disposed to effect peace upon the terms and principles
indicated, their military advisers and the military advisers of
the United States be asked to submit to the Governments
associated against Germany the necessary terms of such an
Armistice as will fully protect the interests of the people
involved and insure to the Associated Governments the unre-
stricted power to safeguard and enforce the details of the peace
to which the German Government has agreed.

Provided they deem such an Armistice possible from the
military point of view should such terms of Armistice be
suggested, their acceptance by Germany will afford the best
concrete evidence of her unequivocal acceptance of the terms
and principles of peace from which the whole action proceeds.

The President would deem himself lacking in candour did
he not point out in the frankest possible terms the reason why
extraordinary safeguards must be demanded.

Significant and important as the constitutional changes
seem to be which are spoken of by the German Foreign Secretary
in his Note of October 20th, it does not appear that the prin-
ciple of a Government responsible to the German people has yet
been fully worked out, or that any guarantees either exist or are
in contemplation that the alterations of principle and of practice
now partially agreed upon will be permanent. Moreover, it does
not appear that the heart of the present difficulty has been
reached. It may be that future wars have been brought under
the control of the German people, but the present war has not
been, and it is with the present war that we are dealing.

It is evident that the German people has no means of
commanding the acquiescence of the Military Authorities of the
Empire in the popular will; that the power of the King of Prussia
to control the policy of the Empire is unimpaired; that the
determining initiative still remains with those who have hitherto
been the masters of Germany.

Feeling that the whole peace of the world depends now
on plain speaking and straightforward action, the President
deems it his duty to say, without any attempt to soften what
may seem harsh words, that the Nations of the World do not
end cannot trust the word of those who have hitherto been the
masters of German policy and to point out once more that in
concluding peace and attempting to undo the infinite injuries
and injustices of this war the Government of the United States
cannot deal with any but the veritable representatives of the
German people, who have been assured of a genuine constitu-
tional standing as the real rulers of Germany.

If it must deal with the military masters and the non-
architects of Germany now, as it is likely to have
to deal with them later in regard to the international obliga-
tions of the German Empire, it must demand, by peace
negotiations, but surrender. Nothing can be gained by leaving
the essential things unsaid.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my high regard.

(Signed) ROBERT LINCOLN.

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Hongkong, Oct. 22, 1918. 858

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Nov. 2nd.—SATURDAY—Nov. 2nd.

THE ANNUAL BAZAAR under the auspices of the above League, will be held by kind permission in the grounds of Government House, on SATURDAY, November 2nd. The Bazaar, as formerly, will be devoted to Local Charities for Children, the "Ottomah" Cots, Surrey, and Naval and Military Funds for Orphans.
Hongkong, Oct. 22, 1918. 813

THE CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

MR. B. W. TAPE has been appointed General Manager of the Local Agency for Hongkong, Canton and Macao of the above Company, as from the 1st October, 1918, in succession to Mr. LEFFERTS KNOX resigned.
Hongkong, Oct. 22, 1918. 887

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company, adjourned on 29th June last, will be held at the Office of the General Managers, Messrs. JAMES MATHESON & CO., LTD., New North, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 1st November, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 26th October to the 15th November, both days inclusive.

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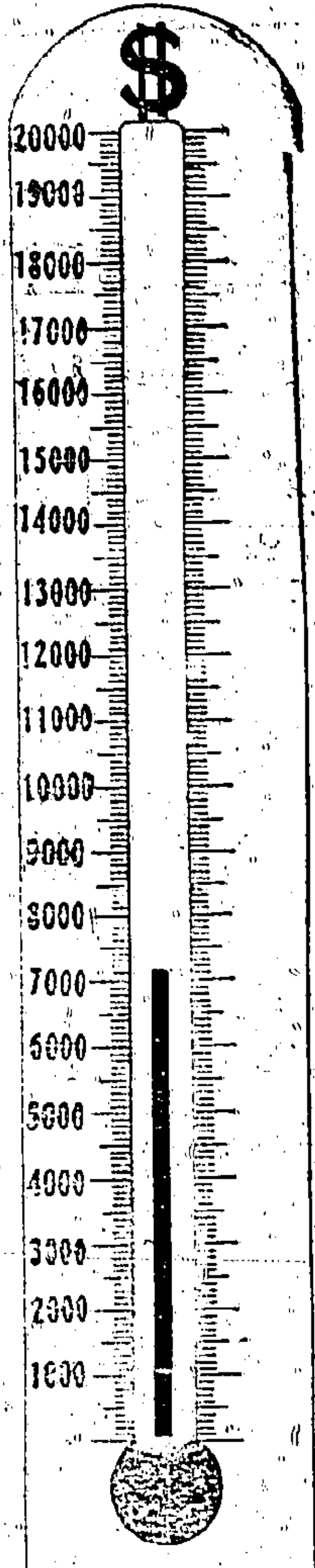
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Subscriptions received LAST YEAR by Lady May's Rose Fund amounted to \$13,861.00 and it is hoped that subscriptions this year will exceed \$20,000. All subscriptions will be acknowledged in the newspapers and the thermometer altered to show the amounts received to date. It is hoped that residents in the ports of South China, who will be unable to visit Hongkong on "OUR DAY", will avail themselves of this opportunity to subscribe to the Fund through this medium. All subscribers will receive a special rose.

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The varied nature of the business is not less remarkable than its bulk. Broadly speaking, the Surveyor-General is responsible for the purchase of everything that is required for the Army, from munitions, aeronautical stores, mechanical transport, and certain articles of food now centralized in the Food Ministry. The different articles purchased are numbered in thousands, and range from uniforms, barbed wire, tents, pots and pans, bullet belts, buildings, drugs, tools, soap, paint, cement, boots, to such things as razors, sewing machines and buttons. A few figures may give an indication of the extent of the transactions. During the year, for instance, over eight million swank caps are bought, about 20 million flannel shirts, about 90 million bandages, 300 million lbs. of bacon, 40 million lbs. of tea, 100 million tins of condensed milk, while cigarettes run into thousands of millions.

ENORMOUS DEMANDS ON INDUSTRY.

It is obvious that the Surveyor-General must make enormous demands on industry—how enormous can be realized only to a limited extent even by those in the particular trades affected. Naturally this work cannot be carried on without business experience, and the Surveyor-General has on his staff a large number of men thoroughly expert in their particular matters to take the advice of representative members of the trades with which he deals, and for this purpose has the assistance of trade committees, which in many instances include representatives of the trade union concerned. His realization of the full importance of satisfactory relations with labor, although he spends such immense sums, he takes extreme care to see that he pays for his purchases no more than a reasonable price. For this purpose he has a staff of 1,000 men, and 1,000 inspectors, who examine contractors' goods in order to secure that the price paid does not yield more than a fair profit on the actual cost of production. Where difficulties in this connection arise, it is always within his power to requisition unwilling firms under D.O.B.A. The work of the costings investigators alone has saved the State many millions of pounds.

Price, however, is not the only or, indeed, the chief difficulty. The Army looks to the Surveyor-General of Supply to produce the goods it needs, and, owing either to the special nature of the article or to the enormous quantities required, these have sometimes been far beyond the existing capacity of the industry concerned. Where this is the case, he employs experts to develop new sources of supply, to devise modifications of patterns, and to take any other steps necessary to meet the demand.

Sometimes the requirements are so heavy that the only way to produce the goods, without such scrambling for raw materials as would completely disorganize the market and inflate prices to a wholly fictitious figure, is to control, either by purchase or otherwise, the supply of such materials. In this way the Surveyor-General controls such materials as wool, leather, jute, flax, etc. (Cotton, it may be noted, is not used for Army purposes to the same predominating extent, and is under the direction of the Board of Trade.) In cases where this special control is necessary, the raw material is issued to manufacturers under arrangements made by the Surveyor-General's Department at a fixed price, and its conversion into manufactured goods is similarly arranged at a price which provides only for costs of conversion plus a reasonable profit. It is difficult to imagine the chaotic state in which the industries concerned would have found themselves had these materials not been controlled; but it is safe to say that the additional expense to the State would have amounted to very many millions of pounds.

As an illustration of the methods of the department, take, for instance, wool. The wool clips of Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, East India, and elsewhere, including the wool from Iceland, are bought by the department at a cost of probably over £100,000,000 a year. After securing the raw material, the Surveyor-General's next task is to distribute it to the manufacturers of standard cloths, blankets, etc., for general use, and finally the supplies for ordinary trade. Prices are fixed for the wool over specified periods, for the purpose of maintaining equilibrium in the trade. A great organization is required—numerous experts, managers, advisers, and committees—to regulate the purchase, manufacture, and distribution of this one article alone. It may be mentioned that the Surveyor-General's Department now has the supply of practically all the wool goods required by the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and that the public services, including railways, are in charge of it.

porations, tramways, hospitals, asylums, etc., in addition to the requirements of the Dominions, India, and the Crown Colonies, and a large portion of those of the Allied Governments.

Similar arrangements are made with regard to leather, which is a more complicated article to handle than wool. It is bought from all over the world, and is kept under Government control, until Government needs are satisfied, when the surplus is released for civil trade. The varieties of leather seem to run to hundreds, and apart from numerous other leather articles the Army boots turned out run to many millions of pairs a year. Manufacturers who make boots for the leather supplied under arrangements made by the Surveyor-General are allowed a fixed rate of profit, so that profiteering is eliminated. Gloves, jackets, saddlery and harness are regulated in the same way, and the same process applies to other similar raw materials.

As an incident of the provision of the principal supplies for the Army, the Surveyor-General is responsible for numerous workshops, bakeries, butts, etc. He is was, for instance, who recommended the purchase of the large site at Slough at which there were discussions in Parliament. Ever since he was appointed—about 15 months ago—Mr. Andrew Weir has been recommending the acquisition of a large central site for repairing motor vehicles. Dozens of sites were examined and by a process of exhaustion the site near Slough was selected as being the most economical and most suitable.

The buildings to be erected near Slough will form the largest motor repair shops in the world, and will be of the utmost value for many years after the war. The thousands of big lorries and motor-cars and trucks used by the Army cannot be dumped on the market as soon as war is over. The control and distribution of these motor vehicles will form a very important branch of demobilization work, and a national repair shop and store-house will become an absolute necessity in the interests of national economy. It may take a year to build the works contemplated at Slough, but the economy when this centre is in operation will recover the expenditure many times over.

The Surveyor-General also deals with the salvage of articles used in the Army. Every article which has done its work and has been damaged is now saved. There is no waste of empty cases, of iron, parts of machinery, or of anything else. Millions of pounds are now being saved by a system of efficient salvage. Salvage work is not confined to the military side, and the Surveyor-General has recently established a national salvage organization, the work of which is increasing to greater and greater dimensions. The public have not yet appreciated the extent of this saving campaign, nor realized the extent to which they can help it.

It may be mentioned that the American Government have established similar lines of "Surveyor-General's Department" in America, and have put Mr. Stettin in charge of it.

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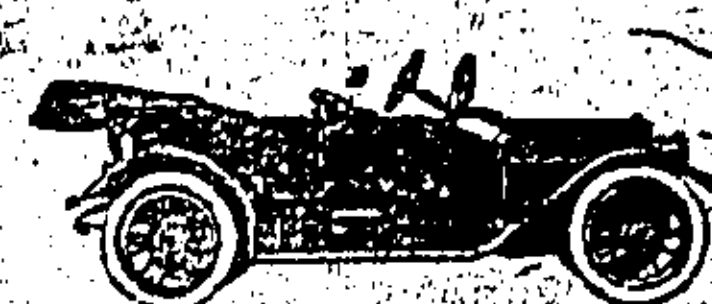
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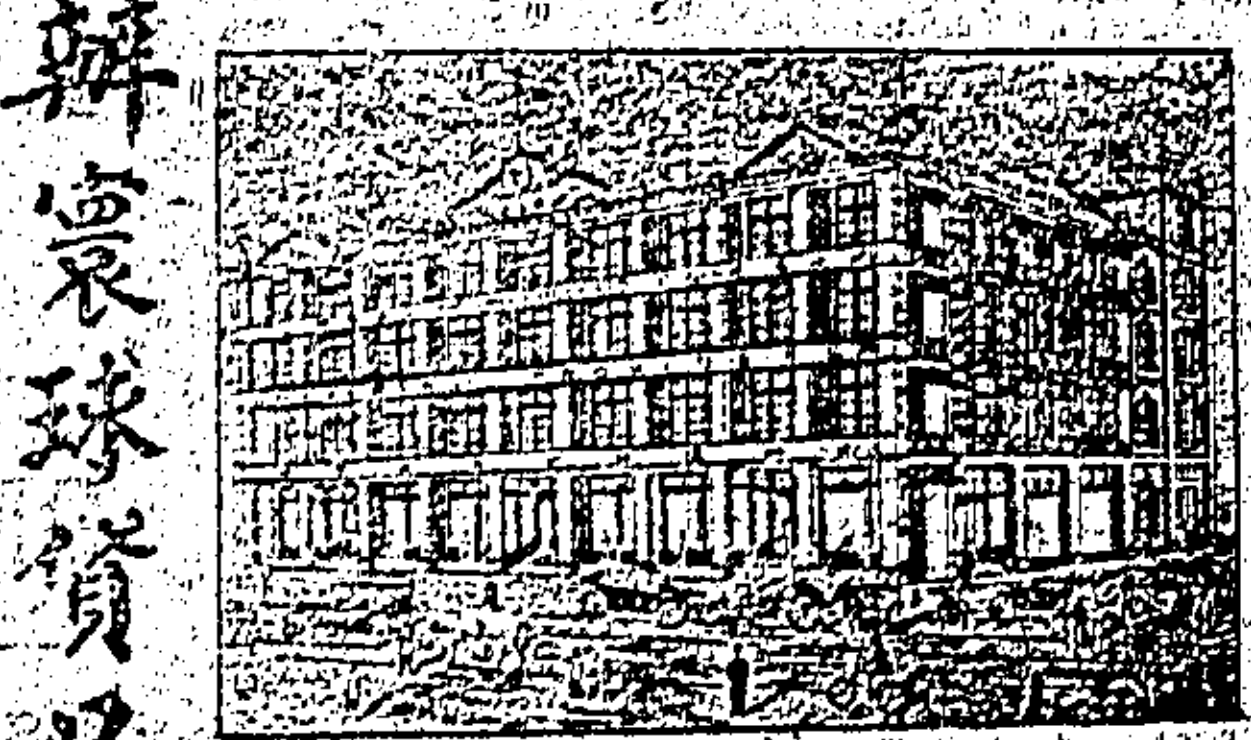
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OPENING CRUISE.
THE OPENING CRUISE of the season will be held on SATURDAY, 26th November, at the Club House, North Point, commencing at 2.30 p.m. Further details will be advertised later.

D. K. BLAIR,
Hon. Sec. Sailing Committee.
Hongkong, Oct. 25, 1918.

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for he admits that the people's representatives have no responsibility for deciding peace or war, and affirms that they will not have even a "joint responsibility" till the League of Nations has taken practical shape. The Chancellor's speech, therefore, indefinitely postpones both the armistice and peace.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A mandate has been issued by the President of China pardoning Chang Hsun, who effected a brief restoration of the monarchy two years ago. He has since sought asylum in the Dutch Legation.

A Chinese woman residing at Cathick Street had a nasty experience yesterday when ten men entered her house and removed her earnings. When the robbers realised that the earnings were of no value they dropped them on the floor and made their escape.

A Chinese woman was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from a fractured skull as a result of a fall from a window into the backyard of 200, Hollywood Road. A Chinese was also admitted into the Government Civil Hospital for injuries received on his right temple in consequence of a fall from a tram-car in Praya East.

A Chinese residing at 55, Bonham Street, has reported to the Police that yesterday he met a clansman who took him to his house and in the course of conversation enquired of his business and his wealth. He replied that he had \$200 on his person. Two other men entered the room and seized him, whilst the clansman decamped with the money.

The British, French, Russian and American Legations have made a joint protest against the gold notes scheme last week. The Japanese Legation has not yet associated itself with the protest, finding reason for delay in a statement that the matter must be referred to Tokyo. This is the first instance in which Japan has held aloof from Allied policy against the gold note scheme and imperils (says Reuters's correspondent) the belief among Japan's friends that the Japanese Government did not support Nishihara's financial adventures.

THE TIENTSIN TRAGEDY.

No further details of this tragedy are given in the telegrams to Shanghai published in the Shanghai papers which arrived by the latest mail; except that at the Coroner's inquest a verdict of murder was returned against some unknown person or persons.

The Shanghai Mercury says:—The late Mr. and Mrs. Gumpert were very well-known in Shanghai and other China ports. Mr. Gumpert was the son of Dr. Gumpert, of Manchester, where he was born. He came out to Shanghai in 1890 for the firm of Reid, Evans & Co. and afterwards joined Nabholz & Co. In 1898 he started the local office of Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor & Co. and was at various times in charge of that company's business here and in Hongkong. In 1908 he went to Tientsin to open a branch for Calbeck there, and remained at that port until the time of his death.

He was over 50 years of age, and prior to his departure from Shanghai was a member of the Shanghai Club, the Country Club, the Cricket Club, the Race Club, the Senior Bowling Alley, and the A.D.C. He was one of the founders of the Midget Sailing Club, and a member of the Fire Brigade (Victoria Company), also a very keen volunteer, being in command of "A" Company, S.V.C., during the Boxer Troubles in 1900.

The late Mr. Gumpert was exceedingly popular and of a most genial disposition. He had hosts of friends in Shanghai and, in fact, on the whole coast. Mrs. Gumpert was the daughter of the late Dr. Jamieson, who many years ago came out to Shanghai as Editor of the "North China Daily News," and afterwards became a very prominent physician here; in fact he started the present medical firm of Jackson, Hanwell, Jackson and Nield. Deep sympathy was felt for the two sisters of Mrs. Gumpert. Mr. P. A. Cumming, who is at present in Shanghai, and Mrs. S. A. Lane, who is in Singapore, are some of the friends who are very much distressed by the death of the late Mr. Gumpert. Mr. Cumming, Commissioner of Customs at Chefoo, who was murdered by Chinese close on 30 years ago.

The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 12th October amounted to 1,079,940 tons and 15,440 tons of concentrates.

THE MAGISTRACY.

SPENDING "OUR DAY"

Before Mr. K. D. G. Wolfe this morning a Chinese was charged with the larceny of a nickel watch and chain valued at \$10 from the person of one Ali Bux, at the Race Course enclosure yesterday.

Complainant said that he was listening to the band at the time when defendant was caught in the act of extracting the articles by another Indian who gave him into Police custody. The case was remanded till to-morrow.

LARCENY OF SHOVELS.

A Chinese youth pleaded guilty when summoned for the larceny of two shovels from a coal shop in Wanchai. Mr. Wolfe lectured the accused and passed on him a sentence of three weeks' hard labour.

DANGEROUS BLASTING.

A Chinese Sub-contractor was charged on two counts, with not taking precautions while blasting in Caroline Hall, and exceeding the time allowed.

Sergeant Cockle deposed that when he arrived on the scene he saw that some of the boulders were blasted with black powder. A very large boulder which had also been blasted had been precipitated down the hillside into Wong Nei Chong Valley and in its career had caused many trees to be uprooted. Mr. Warren, of Messrs. Warren and Co., had suggested that a hole be made when blasting operations are proceeding so that the rocks might fall into it.

Inspector Sim interposed that defendant had permission from the P. W. D. to blast the stones, but had taken no precaution against damage caused by rolling stones.

Defendant stated that he had taken precautionary measures against damage by having a fence constructed so that the boulders would fall in that area.

Mr. Warren replied that persons passing that road might be killed.

His Worship remarked that in such a case the defendant might be sentenced to five years' imprisonment for manslaughter and defendant could thank his stars that no one had been killed.

Mr. Warren stated that he was typing inside his house near the blasting area, when his house shook. He thought it was an earthquake.

Defendant was fined \$15 on the first charge and on the second \$45.

WARNING TO PORTUGUESE.

L. Lopez, a Portuguese, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with assaulting a Chinaman in Messrs. M. Y. San's restaurant.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for complainant. The trouble arose over the defendant taking a stool from complainant's table, after removing a hat that had been placed on it by a member of complainant's party. The complainant reproved the defendant, as a result of which the latter assaulted him.

The defendant said the complainant was the first to commit an assault. His Worship, in fixing defendant \$10, said he had come to the conclusion that there was a quarrel between the complainant's party and that of the defendant, but the defendant was not justified in assaulting complainant. He had a few days ago a case in which a Portuguese was tried before him for assaulting a Chinese hawker, striking him on the face and making him bleed. If Portuguese went on striking Chinese in this way he would have to put some one in jail. In this case there had been provocation before the assault. His Worship was convinced that there was some trouble over the hat and stool.

HOW VOTING LISTS GROW.

The new Parliamentary Register for North-east Kent gives a total of 27,238 voters against 16,108 on the old register. Women number 14,838.

In Holborn the new Electoral list contains 8,208 names. There are 4,677 women voters. The old register contained 6,334 names. The names of Miss Maud Howley, 3 years of age, was on the list.

310 petitions from 267 town councils and 103 trade bodies have been sent to the Home Office in favour of the seven o'clock compulsory closing of shops.

Cuba has sent to the American Red Cross in Europe \$400,000 cigarettes and 200 packages of smoking tobacco for distribution to American wounded.

AN AID TO DIGESTION.

When you have a fullness and weight in the stomach after eating you may know that you have eaten too much and should take of Chamberlain's Tablets to aid your digestion. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

"OUR DAY"

THE FETE AT THE BOTANICAL GARDENS.

"Our Day" celebrations as far as Oct. 24 was concerned were brought to a successful conclusion, last evening, by the fete in the Botanical Gardens. The patrons of this part of the festivities could be numbered by thousands and a general reluctance to accept the dictum of Mr. Peppys bore eloquent testimony to the success of the entertainment. The Gardens were enchanting in their illuminations and the general effect produced a feeling of nonchalance to the bank account, therefore the dollars freely flowed. All the reserved seats were occupied and the audience enjoyed to the full the entertainment provided, which included a cinematograph display, Chinese conjurers and fireworks, which latter included all the pyrotechnic proclivities of Paine and Brock. The Japanese Community, who were congratulated upon their generosity in providing this fine display without which the fete would have been short of much of its attractiveness. The Bands of the 18th Infantry and the Hongkong Philharmonic Society provided the music and the greatest credit is due to the musicians for their triumph of continuity. The Portuguese Community surpassed previous efforts in aid of the good cause and the receipts from this source will no doubt surpass the most sanguine expectations of Mr. E. M. V. R. de Souza and his compatriots.

The result of the \$1 Raffles was as follows:—

No.	Winners.
1—180	Choy Wing Nam.
2—245	J. E. B. Ruffin.
3—47	E. H. Hurd.
4—363	P. C. Potts.
5—1163	T. Daigo.
6—752	Tai Woo.
7—308	G. Grimble.
8—1658	H. A. Lamont.
9—383	K. Rathenau.
10—583	W. G. Goggin.
11—136	H. M. Tatham.
12—383	S. H. Dodwell.
13—1894	R. Sutherland.
14—118	W. A. Colles.
15—187	E. T. H. Bunji.
16—586	H. van Halbe.
17—13	H. G. Murray Scott.
18—1381	Ramsay & Co.
19—331	A. C. Leith.
20—1033	D. Morris.
21—157	T. Smith.
22—1372	M. E. Ramsay.
23—1432	R. Jordan.
24—191	M. S. Spencer.
25—688	N. M. H. Nemaze.
26—1445	Capt. Edwards.
27—1384	W. A. J. Cooper.
28—31	N. J. Stubb.
29—376	P. Botelho.
30—1310	J. A. McKay.
31—1	Mrs. Gibson.
32—1654	A. B. Baworth.
33—877	C. C. Gallivan.
34—1277	H. A. Lamont.
35—1893	Lieut. M. Jones.
36—632	J. H. Pearson.
37—781	Li Cheung Lin.
38—1834	Lieut. Morgate.
39—1830	G. Moscar.
40—187	J. E. Macdon.
41—976	F. P. V. Soares.
42—188	Brook Smith.
43—281	Mrs. M. Scott.
44—2087	Mr. H. O. Hope.
45—524	G. Grimble.
46—183	C. W. Lewis.
47—899	J. F. Ego da Silva.
48—1351	G. Moscar.
49—821	A. David.
50—144	H. Priests.
51—1331	J. Lingham.
52—1384	M. E. Ramsay.
53—818	A. David.
54—1592	J. Gibson.
55—717	Li Cheung Lin.
56—493	A. Pratt.
57—438	B. Wyllie.
58—742	Fang Wai Yang.
59—1037	M. S. S. S.
60—1372	Marie E. Alves.
61—328	J. Wright.
62—516	A. Blocker.
63—1348	Mrs. Silva Netto.
64—1857	Mrs. Homphreys.
65—800	M. Silva Netto.
66—219	A. Booter.
67—2012	A. V. Apoor.
68—280	P. M. N. Silva.
69—128	P. M. N. Silva.
70—128	P. M. N. Silva.
71—128	P. M. N. Silva.
72—1977	Col. Mayhew.
73—49	Chir. Gibson.
74—663	E. J. Noronha.
75—1881	H. Sandford.

The Dodge Motor-car raffle realised the sum of \$7,200 and was won by No. 312.

The Jewish raffle will be drawn later when all tickets have been disposed of.

The total receipts of the celebrations of "Our Day" cannot, of course, be computed but there seems good reason to expect a very satisfactory result.

THE SIDE SHOWS AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The side shows at the Gymkhana yesterday suffered nothing from the counter attractions of the sporting part of the programme, and patrons could be seen sliding down the chute or waiting on the go-round totally indifferent as to whether the sweep ticket "lightly" clutched in the hand had drawn a prize or not. The supervision of this part of the festivities was capably attended to as follows:—

The J. J. Whelan:—Messrs. J. S. Keith, S. Gray, W. Brown, J. N. Allen, W. Forth, H. Macdonell, W. Pater, J. Dole, H. Scott, and B. Handman.

The Chute:—Messrs. J. Simpson, J. D. Polley, A. Smith, J. McCubbin, G. Gerard, T. Grimshaw, E. White and R. Gray.

The Hindenburg Line:—Messrs. W. J. Owens, W. F. Hadley, D. S. Cooper and J. S. McIntosh.

The Fill Box:—Sergeant Strange, R. R. M. C. Spr. Longland, R. E. Mearns, R. B. Wood, W. J. Owens and Jenner. Duck Pond:—Messrs. H. Overy, J. F. Robinson, and J. Jacks.

Luck Specialists:—Messrs. Komor and James, Messrs. Spatter and Allen assisted generally at all the shows and Messrs. W. Thompson, F. Ailett and J. W. Harris as clowns with "Charlie Chaplin" (Master W. Fortyth) helped to make things lively generally.

The Committee acknowledges its indebtedness to Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, Hon. Mr. Chan Kai Ming, Mr. Chan Kang U, and Mr. Chau Pung Shang for the gift of the roses for "Our Day"; Mr. G. P. de Martin for designing the special roses; The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak for the gift of the cigarettes distributed to all Soldiers and Sailors; Lady Chater, Lady Ho Tung, Mrs. Holyoak, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Ede, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, and Mr. Nicholson for the gift of roses and flowers for the Hospitals; Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Athol Anderson, Mrs. Compton, Messrs. Powell, and Madame Flin, for gifts of special roses for the Sale by Auction; the Members of the Jewish Recreation Club, for the gift of a Silver Tea Service, to be raffled for the benefit of the Ross Fund; the Portuguese Community under the Chairmanship of the Consul for Portugal, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza, the Chinese Community under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, the Japanese Community under the Chairmanship of the Japanese Consul, Mr. Suzuki also Mr. B. Mori and also Messrs. J. S. Keith, G. Dunne, A. Simpson, G. W. Arnell and W. J. Owens for their work in connection with the Side Shows at Happy Valley; the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., Messrs. Wiseman, Ltd., King Edward Hotel, Messrs. M. Y. San, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong Daily Press, Hongkong Telegraph, China Mail, and South China Morning Post; the Hongkong Tramway Co. for displaying Posters; and the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.

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TO-MORROW'S GYMKHANA.

There are nine events in the race programme for to-morrow afternoon. The following are the handicaps.

1 MILE HANDICAP.

A Class.	lbs.
North Star	150
Wild Gamble	150
Snuffbox	150
Malcolm	150
Donkful	150
Catford	148
Crest	145
Conquest Dahlia	143

B Class.

Haggis	150
Rockmouse	150
Black Cat	149
Ridgeway	148
Marne	148
Victoria Crown	148
Anticipation	144
Huntsman	144
Second Violin	140

Jingle Johnnie Scratched.

The Handicap for the "Cambridgeshire" has presented a somewhat difficult problem owing to the great difference in form of the ponies entered.

It is proposed, therefore, to divide this into two classes, A and B, making two separate races. A class is handicapped by weight, as under:—

Bored Oy	152 lbs.
Bris	151
Cicero	151
Robert the Devil	150
Kustomjee	150

B class is handicapped by distance, as under, the ponies running with weight for inches:

Rockland	Scratch.
War Bond	10 yards
Atsaby	30 "
Dustman	40 "
Dialbox	90 "

CHILDREN'S COLOE.

WHY let the children risk their health by playing with marbles and other toys when they can actually win prizes by playing with the "Our Day" Coloe? For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

1 MILE	lbs.
North Star	150
Wild Gamble	150
Snuffbox	150
Malcolm	150
Donkful	150
Catford	148
Crest	145
Conquest Dahlia	143
Black Cat	148
Anticipation	144

Jingle Johnnie scratched. The side shows will be continued to-morrow and children will be admitted free to the ground. There is plenty for them to see besides the racing.

ROBERT, THE DEVIL.

A correspondent writes:—The winning of "Our Day" Derby yesterday by Band Or, with Robert the Devil running second, is a strange, but true coincidence, illustrating the old proverb that history repeats itself.

It repeats, in almost every detail, exactly what happened in the Derby of 1880, when Fred Archer, snatched a seemingly sure victory from Robert, who was riding Robert the Devil. Robert when near the post was seen to forge ahead, and nothing short of a miracle could rob him of winning; in fact, Brewer, the owner of Robert, actually shut up his glasses and turned round to receive the congratulations of his friend. Then a dramatic thing happened. Robert, assured of victory, glanced back. That backward glance proved fatal, for Archer, seizing the opportunity, made a rush, and draw level, but two strides from the post, and amid scenes of great excitement, won by a short neck.

[A full account of the 1880 Derby was reproduced in the China Mail of the 22nd inst.—Ed.]

"OUR DAY" AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai is following the procedure adopted last year. It was decided to make no street collections, sales or any thing of that sort; but, instead, an appeal is to be made through the newspapers to the "generosity of the general public" who will receive a complimentary order along with their newspaper.

Direct appeals are being made to the British and other homes on a larger scale than was the case last year and a substantial total is anticipated. The local patriotic Societies have been working with this end in view and their operation is expected to materialise in a large addition to the fund.

A sum of Tk. 15,000 was already in hand last week.

The Shanghai Club intend to hold a "Ladies' Night" at the Club at which there will be a Supper and Dance, the proceeds from which will go to swell the grand total of "Our Day" collections. It was hoped that local A. D. C. would be able to give two performances of "General Post" on the 24th and 25th instant, but, unfortunately, this has not materialised. Neither can the Race Club nor the Country Club, it appears, do anything collectively, though individually no doubt these bodies will be in evidence for "Our Day." At the Olympic Theatre war films will be screened under the patronage of the Consul-General.

JAPAN'S WAR WORK.

MR. BALFOUR'S TRIBUTE TO OUR ALLIES' NEW ENTERPRISE.

Mr. Balfour paid a warm tribute to Japan's work in the war at a luncheon at the Royal Automobile Club, given in honour of the Japanese Red Cross Mission by Sir Arthur Stanley, chairman of the Executive of the British Red Cross.

In the early days of the war the Japanese Red Cross, said Mr. Balfour, performed unexampled service in dealing with the treatment of disease, and rendered signal service to Great Britain in later stages of the conflict, our Allies extended their naval activities from the Pacific and the Far Eastern seas to the Mediterranean, and no one could do so from Great Britain to Egypt, India, Australia, without obtaining ample evidence of the work done by the Japanese destroyers and other units in preserving the safety of the seas.

Even at that moment Japan was adding to her naval obligations by landing her troops to the rescue of our Allies, the Greeks, and so prevented the German penetration which threatened the whole of Northern Asia, as it had already threatened the whole of European Russia.

In proposing the health of the Japanese mission, Sir Arthur Stanley mentioned that in the early days of the war members of the Japanese branch of the Red Cross, and evoked the highest possible praise for the work they did.

CRICKET CLUB.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

GERMAN CHANCELLOR ON PEACE.

THE POLITICAL CHANGES DISCUSSED.

APPEAL TO PEOPLE TO DEFEND THE ARMY.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 23.

A message from Berlin states:—When the Reichstag re-assembled the Chancellor, Prince Max of Baden, in a speech said that the whole of the German people were anxious to hear the Government's view of their prospects of success in the peace effort. President Wilson's first answer to the German Government's peace move brought the question of a peace of justice or a peace of violence to the fore-front in all countries. He hoped that President Wilson's next answer would set doubts at rest. Until then the German people must prepare for both eventualities, either that the enemy Governments were anxious for war, in which case the Germans would fight defensively with all the force of a people driven to the last extremity, or for going to the conference table. In the latter case the German people were entitled to ask what a peace based on President Wilson's conditions meant for Germany's future. That was a question of stupendous import, for it was not Germany's strength that would decide what was right, but the decision would result from what was thought right in a free discussion with their opponents. That was a great effort for a proud people accustomed to victory. It had been represented to him that the acceptance of President Wilson's conditions would mean the submission of questions of legitimacy to an anti-German court of justice. If that was so why, asked the Chancellor, did the extreme apostles of force in the Entente fear the Council Chamber as the guilty feared a Court of Justice?

The Chancellor said the essence of President Wilson's programme was a League of Nations, which meant the abandonment of unequalled national independence and sovereignty both by Germany and others. If the Germans maintained as a fundamental that national egoism, which till recently had been dominant, bitterness would thereby be engendered and it would cripple them for generations. They must comprehend that the significance of this frightful war was victory for the idea of justice and, if they submitted to this idea, they would find in it the cure for the present wounds and the reservoir of future strength. When he advocated a League of Nations as a source of consolation and a new force, he did not deny that heavy opposition must be overcome before the idea was reached. Whatever the next few days or weeks brought, whether war or peace, the German people would be best prepared for either by carrying out the Government's programme and definitely breaking away from the old system.

The Chancellor then outlined the reforms of Prussian franchise and of the Imperial Government whereby the Reichstag would share responsibility with the Chancellor for the Imperial policy, and also for a measure of autonomy in Alsace-Lorraine. The Chancellor said the reform measures include a Bill altering the Imperial Constitution in order to embody the fundamental idea of the new form of Government. This Bill would give the Reichstag as the house of the people's representatives a joint responsibility for deciding peace or war, (Cheers)—but not till the League of Nations takes a practical shape and secret treaties are abolished.

The Chancellor dealt lengthily with the modification of military rule and the annulment of political prisoners which had already been decreed, emphasising that they were proposed by the Kaiser. Thus the Chancellor's new form of government harmonised with Constitutional precedents.

The Chancellor anticipated criticisms of the political changes, but he welcomed them because opposition was the breath of Parliamentary life. He asserted that he and his colleagues were unanimous in the purpose of giving the German people political authority, and concluded by extolling the Army, which was confronted by superior forces, and appealing to the people to defend the soldier against unjust charges, and to give the Army the same material and moral aid it needed.

THE BRITISH FRONT.

SUBURBS OF VALENCIENNES ENTERED.

SHARP FIGHTING ON THE SCHELDT.

London, Oct. 22, 11.35 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We entered the western suburbs of Valenciennes and penetrated deeply to the north of it into Raisos Forest, towards the angle of the Scheldt at Conde.

We progressed east of St. Amand and reached the Scheldt at Hollain and Bruyelles, south of Tournai, and took possession of both places. North-west of Tournai we captured Envyennes and progressed towards the Scheldt.

Further north there was sharp fighting for the Scheldt crossings at Pontuchin.

NEW BRITISH ATTACK.

BRUAY CAPTURED.

GOOD PROGRESS REGISTERED.

London, Oct. 23.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—Early this morning we attacked on the Le Cateau-Solennes front, making good progress.

Between Valenciennes and Tournai we have taken Bruay and reached the west bank of the Scheldt at Diebures and Espinal. Considerable resistance was encountered on this front yesterday. There was sharp fighting, in which we vigorously pressed the enemy and inflicted many casualties, expelling him from positions and taking a number of prisoners.

ON FRONT OF SIX MILES.

SEVERAL VILLAGES TAKEN.

London, Oct. 23.

The new attack mentioned by Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig this morning is on a front of six miles. We advanced about a mile along the whole attacking front and have taken several villages. The enemy is resisting stiffly.

FIERCE FIGHT FOR TOWN.

London, Oct. 22.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—We are now on the fringe of Valenciennes.

Tournai is still offering strong resistance, but our infantry are nearing the line of the Scheldt along a wide front.

AIR-RAIDS INTO GERMANY.

London, Oct. 22.

The Press Bureau states:—An independent force of two squadrons on the 22nd successfully attacked the barracks and railways at Metz. All the machines returned despite a fog.

Another squadron set out to attack the Rhine factories, but when near its objective it encountered dense clouds and became separated. Seven machines have not been located.

On the night of the 21st we heavily and successfully attacked the factories at Kaiser's Lautern and also heavily bombed the stations at Mezieres.

All our machines returned.

GERMAN REPORT.

London, Oct. 23, 8.5 p.m.

A wireless German official report states:—We have evacuated the bridgehead on the Sere and the Souche, south of Marly.

INTERNED BELGIANS AND NEUTRALS IN BELGIUM.

RELEASED BY GERMAN GOVERNOR.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 22.

A message from Brussels says that General Falkenhagen, the German Governor of Belgium, has pardoned Belgians and neutrals imprisoned by the Military and has ordered the release of Belgians and neutrals interned in Belgium by Germany.

MORE EVIDENCE OF GERMAN CRUELTY.

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS CAPTURED THREE YEARS AGO.

MADE TO WORK BEHIND FIRING LINES NEAR BRUGES.

London, Oct. 22.

Reuter's Correspondent at Bruges says that a fresh striking instance of inhumanity of the German authorities has been discovered by Belgian soldiers who liberated the territory. The latter found a large number of Russian soldiers belonging to German labour companies, captured three years ago.

The Russians had been treated with the utmost brutality and forced to labour behind the firing line. They were utterly ignorant of the Russian Revolution, the Tsar's death and the Brezhnev Peace.

POPE'S APPEAL TO GERMAN CHANCELLOR.

TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY DEVASTATIONS.

Rome, Oct. 23.

Evidently the Pope does not accept the German protestations of innocence as regards the outrages and devastations.

The official organ of the Holy See, the *Osservatore Romano*, declares that the German Armies who have destroyed and burned French and Belgian cities and towns must be compelled to evacuate France and Belgium, and announces that the Pope has addressed a direct appeal to the Chancellor, Prince Max of Baden, to prevent further unnecessary devastations. The Holy See has similarly appealed to the Papal Nuncio in Bavaria.

GERMAN NEUTRAL COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY.

HEADED BY NURSE CAVELL'S MURDERER.

London, Oct. 23.

Germany's Neutral Commission to investigate the charges of devastation is headed by Baron Laucken, head of the political department of Brussels, who as the ringleader of the murder of Nurse Cavell refused all appeals to save her.

ANOTHER V.C. AWARD.

TALE OF REMARKABLE ENDURANCE.

London, Oct. 23.

The Victoria Cross has been awarded to Corporal David Hunter, whose exploit is mentioned by Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig in a communiqué on September 22nd. The official story of his exploit concludes: "Without food and water, he held on to his post for over 48 hours and not only withstood constant attacks but had also to undergo the enemy and our own barrage of fire, which came right across his post. The outstanding bravery, determination, fortitude and endurance of Corporal Hunter was beyond all praise, and a magnificent example to all."

ALLIES' VICTORIOUS ADVANCE IN FLANDERS.

LYONS, Oct. 22, 10 p.m.

The Allied Army Group, under the command of the King of the Belgians, has continued its victorious advance in Flanders.

The German garrison of Eecloo withdrew into Holland.

The Allied forces are approaching Ghent and are encircling Tournai.

They have crossed the Lys along most of its course.

They hold the right bank of the Scheldt from the east of Cambrai as far as Valenciennes and lie along the left bank to the north of Tournai for several kilometres.

The Sambre has been crossed in the same manner as the Sere.

British troops are now two kilometres from Valenciennes and have pushed on as far as St. Amand, capturing the whole of the Forest of Violaine.

To the north of the Sere the French have made progress in the neighbourhood of Ribemont.—*French Wireless.*

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MR. LLOYD GEORGE CONGRATULATED.

HIS ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE WAR.

London, Oct. 23.

The Inter-Allied Parliamentary Committee called on Mr. Lloyd George and congratulated him on his great achievements during the war.

Replying, the Premier emphasised that the necessity of working together after the war would be as essential as during the war.

THE BALKANS.

SERBIANS TAKE 1,000 PRISONERS.

ADVANCE UNSTEMMED.

London, Oct. 22.

A Serbian communiqué states:—Our advance continues. The enemy is cleared from the regions of Ipek, Nôvibazar and Pacha.

We took 1,500 prisoners and considerable material.

THE BULGARIAN OCCUPATION OF KAVALEA.

17,000 GREEKS DIED OF ILL-TREATMENT.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 22.

It is officially established that 17,000 Greeks at Kavalea died as a result of ill-treatment during the Bulgarian occupation.

THE ARMY OF THE ORIENT.

LYONS, Oct. 22, 10 p.m.

The Army of the Orient has reached the Danube in the region of Vidin. The Germans have for good and all lost the use of this most important means of communication.—*French Wireless.*

THE GERMAN NOTE.

LYONS, Oct. 22, 10 p.m.

The French Press is of opinion that the German people are anxious for peace, and that the Government would also be willing to gain this end if it can do so without having to make such sacrifices as are both legitimate and necessary.—*French Wireless.*

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

FRESH ADVANCES ON ALL FRONTS.

PARIS, Oct. 21.

Fresh advances are recorded on all the Front from Flanders to the Meuse region.

In Flanders French, Belgian and British troops, fighting in grand union, combined to throw back the adversary on the front of Bruges canal.

King Albert's troops are finally fixed on the left flank of the Dutch border.

The capture of Thiel by French troops constitutes a decisive phase in the great operation. The Germans made a determined resistance.—*Hansa.*

VIOLENT ENEMY ATTACKS.

London, Oct. 22.

A French communiqué says:—North of the Oise there was great enemy artillery activity at night time.

We reached the railway north-east of Ais-sur-Serre, also St. Jacques farm north-west of Châlons.

On the plateau east of Vouziers fighting which began yesterday has diminished in intensity.

It is confirmed that yesterday's enemy attacks were very violent.

We identified elements belonging to seven Divisions.

BELGIAN SUCCESSES.

London, Oct. 23.

A British communiqué from the Belgian Front states:—The enemy throughout the day endeavoured to maintain his positions on the Lys Derivation Canal, making several counter-attacks with a view to retaking our bridge-head, but he was repulsed. Belgians crossed the Derivation Canal at several points.

The retreating Germans threw 200 vehicles into the Bruges-Ghent Canal.

The French improved their bridge-heads south of Devos and advanced three kilometres. Other French units farther south crossed the Lys.

The French have taken 1,100 prisoners.

The Second British Army advanced a mile between the Lys and the Scheldt and established a bridge-head on the right bank of the Scheldt, east of Pecq.

FRENCH FORCE FURTHER ENEMY RETREAT.

London, Oct. 16.

A French communiqué says:—We have forced the enemy on the Sere front to retreat afresh and captured Chalandry and (travels) despite obstinate resistance.

The line skirts the Sere to Oorliers, passes the outskirts of Frommont and Cohardille, thence along the Bass canal. The Germans twice renewed their attacks east of Vouziers but were everywhere repulsed.

PEACE PROSPECTS.

VIEWS IN AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.

On receipt of the German Note, President Wilson conferred with Secretary Lansing until midnight.

Secretary Lansing declared that there are no prospects of an immediate peace and that there will be no armistice except upon conditions that destroy forever the power of German militarism.

REASON FOR GERMAN DELAY.

PARIS, Oct. 21.

The reason for the delay of the German reply to President Wilson is that von Hindenburg is trying to show that the military position has improved by the shortening of the front.

Although it is clear that the Germans are not offering much resistance to the evacuation of the Belgian coast, it has caused an immense sensation in Germany, who though vitally interested in getting an armistice, is not reconciled to the idea of paying the penalty for her crimes.—*Hansa.*

FULL REPARATION FOR BELGIUM.

London, Oct. 22.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lt. Col. Hull-Lord Robert Cecil said he was unable to specify the total amount the Germans had looted on cities and towns in Belgium and France, but full reparation formed part of the war aims of the Allies.

TURKEY TRYING GERMAN TRICKS.

London, Oct. 24.

Reuter learns that Izet Pasha's new Cabinet at Constantinople is apparently trying the German trick of attempting to bargain with the Allies.

THE BALKANS.

FRENCH CAPTURE CONVOY.

London, Oct. 23.

A French Eastern communiqué says:—The French have captured a convoy of loaded enemy lighters at Lompalanka on the Danube.

The Serbian north of Aleksinatz advanced despite strong resistance. Their cavalry, east of Parasin, captured part of the baggage of the Headquarters of the 217th German Division, including General von Gallwitz's archives and luggage.

LOSSES OF BRITISH SHIPOWNERS.

GOVERNMENT TO REPLACE LOST VESSELS.

London, Oct. 22.

The Press Bureau announces that the Government has decided to sell a limited number of Government-owned vessels to owners who have lost ships by submarines in order to replace their losses.

The decision will not affect the use of the vessels during the war emergency.

FRANCE'S FOURTH LIBERATION LOAN.

CELEBRATIONS IN PARIS.

PARIS, Oct. 21.

France's Fourth War Liberation Loan was inaugurated on Sunday. Thousands of Parisians visited the Place de la Concorde and the Tuilleries in honour of "The Little Tigers of the Tuilleries" to inspect a collection of 1,500 German guns, aeroplanes, a sausage balloon and a big tank.

General Baden-Powell presented a flag to boyscouts of France as an athletic feat of boys of the 1920 class recruits.

America has subscribed one million and a half francs in token of confidence in France.—*Hansa.*

FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS.

GERMAN BUILDINGS IN CHINA.

NEW REGULATIONS BEING PREPARED.

London, Oct. 24.

In the House of Commons, replying to Col. Yate, Lord Robert Cecil stated that the Government had received no official information of any increase in the production of opium in China since the termination of the 1911 agreement and the cessation of the British Consulate at Shansen, China, were being prepared.

OPINION PRODUCTION IN CHINA.

NO OFFICIAL INFORMATION.

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Hongkong, Oct. 8, 1918.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS
via SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU
AND JAPAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"NIPPON MARU."

The above-mentioned Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on 28th Oct., 1918, at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on 28th Oct., 1918, at 5 p.m.

No "Fire Insurance" whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognized after the Godown has left the steamer at Godown. All chafed and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on 30th Oct., 1918, at 10 a.m.

No Claim will be recognized if filed after the 7th Nov., 1918.

T. DAIGO, Manager.

Hongkong, Oct. 23, 1918.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO, AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"CARMARTHENSIRE"

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd Oct., at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by Messrs. Godard & Douglas, on 23rd Oct., at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd. Agents.
(Hongkong, Oct. 16, 1918.)

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

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"KWAISANG"

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HONGKONG DEFENCE
CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

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WEATHER REPORT.

October 25th 11A. 65W. No returns from Japan and Wladivostok. Pressure has decreased slightly over the Philippines, and increased slightly to moderately elsewhere. The anticyclone has increased in intensity, and the typhoon has filled up. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the China Coast, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 96.39 inches, against an average of 80.04 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 26th October:

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E. wind fresh to strong; rain; 0.25 inch.

2.—Furness Channel: Northwesterly gale; 0.25 inch.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

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HONGKONG STOCK
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OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

BANK.

HONGKONG BANK, ... \$380 n.

MARINE INSURANCE.

Canton Ins. ... \$380 b.

North China Ins. ... \$197 n.

Union Ins. ... \$215 b.

Yangtze Ins. ... \$194 n.

Far Easterns ... \$27 n.

Fins Insurance.

China Fire Ins. ... \$153 b.

Hongkong Fire Ins. ... \$335 b.

SINCE.

Douglases ... \$79 n.

H.K. Steamboats ... \$23 n.

Indo-China (Prod.) ... \$30 b.

Do. (Dot.) ... \$175 b.

Shell Transport ... \$117 b.

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Hongkong Hotels ... \$90 n.

Hongkong Lands ... \$96 n.

Humphreys ... \$725 b.

Kowloon Lands ... \$32 b.

West Point ... \$72 n.

CORROR MILLS.

Ewo Cottons ... \$250 b.

Kong Yik ... \$17 b.

Long Kong Mills ... \$134 b.

Orientals ... \$63 n.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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MAIL NOTICE

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 25th OCTOBER, 1918.

INWARD MAILS.

From. Per. Date.

Straits, Bangkok, Bombay, Aden, ... Sat. 25th, 9.00 a.m.

Egypt and Europe via Suez ... Sat. 25th, 10.00 a.m.

Java and Port Moresby via Batavia ... Sat. 25th, Noon.

Saigon ... Sat. 25th, Noon.

Philippines Islands, Japan via Kobe, ... (Saturday, 25th, Registration 11.45 a.m. Letters 12.30 p.m.)

Canada, United States, Central and South America, and Europe via Victoria, B.C. ... (Saturday, 25th, Registration 11.45 a.m. Letters 12.30 p.m.)

Shanghai and North China ... Sat. 25th, 2.00 p.m.

Swatow and Straits ... Sat. 25th, 2.00 p.m.